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## RATS.

Number of rats examined at the bacteriological institute during the week ..... 289  
 Number found to be infected ..... Nil

Thirty-one mice were also examined and were found to be free from plague infection.

*Bulletin for the week ended 12 o'clock noon, Saturday, May 30, 1903.*

On the 23d instant a Chinaman, a fruiterer in the city, died at the Brisbane General Hospital shortly after admission into that institution. This case was regarded as suspicious of plague, which was confirmed by post-mortem examination.

The three contacts are being kept under supervision. There are no further developments.

## BRISBANE.

Admitted to general hospital during the week .....	1
Died during week .....	1
Discharged during week from plague hospital .....	1
Remaining under treatment, plague hospital .....	5
Total deaths .....	9
Total cases to date:	
Brisbane .....	19
Bundaberg .....	1
Townsville .....	3
Rockhampton .....	2

Date of last case at Bundaberg (died), May 20, 1903; at Rockhampton (died), February 21, 1903; at Townsville (discharged), December 24, 1902.

Contacts have been kept under supervision, and no case has arisen among them.

## RATS.

Number of rats examined at the bacteriological institute during the week ..... 150  
 Number found to be infected ..... 4

Eighteen mice were also examined and were found to be free from infection.

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*Commissioner of Public Health.*

*Interim report of the president of the central board of health on further case of plague at Freemantle.*

A further case of plague has occurred in Essex street, Freemantle, next door to flour mill, on opposite side of which a case occurred exactly twelve months ago. The mill has not been used for some time, and there are no visible signs of rats. The vicinity is fairly clean and is not in exactly what was recently recognized as the infected area.

All the dwellings (4) opening into the common yard at the back have been closed and will be cleansed and disinfected.

All contacts were removed to Woodmans Point. The patient is progressing satisfactorily. The last case of plague occurred on the 26th of February last.